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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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IN RE LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE
LITIGATION

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RUTH DIAZ,

Plaintiff,

-against-

80 LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATES, LLC, ALAN KASMAN
DBA KASCO, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION,
ET AL,

Defendants.
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**NOTICE OF
ADOPTION**

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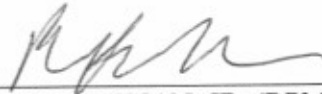
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendant, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION as and for its responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint dated August 8, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In Re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

To the extent that ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint does not comprehensively address any of the specific allegations within the Check-Off Complaint in the above-captioned matter, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such specific allegations.

WHEREFORE, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION demands judgment

dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements.

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